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A Political Classic.

No President since the days of Abraham Lincoln has demonstrated his ability to indite as strong a State paper as has William McKinley. Possibly we might have as properly used the word "developed" in speaking of the ability shown, as his productions since he has occupied his present position have indicated continual improvement in manner of statement. His ability to put facts plainly and state them concisely and pointedly is equalled by but few trained editorial writers on the great newspapers of the country. As a matter of fact he demonstrates a profound knowledge of his subject, whatever it may be, and his literary style in placing his information before the people is beyond criticism.

In proof of the above, we give a few pointed extracts from his recent letter of acceptance:

"There is a strain of ill-concealed hypocrisy in the anxiety to extend the constitutional guarantee to the people of the Philippines, while their nullification is openly advocated at home."

The above in reference to those alleged patriots who are tearfully pleading the cause of the Philippines, while they are denying the right of suffrage and reducing to a state of vassalage thousands and tens of thousands of freemen (!) in the States of the South.

"The Republican party does not have to assert its devotion to the Declaration of Independence. That immortal instrument of the fathers remained unexecuted until the people under the lead of the Republican party, in the awful crash of battle turned its promises into fulfillment. It wrote into the Constitution the amendments guaranteeing political equality to American citizenship, and it has never broken them or counseled others in breaking them."

Ring words of truth, every one. And how is this for a deadly home thrust:

"If our opponents would only practice as well as preach the doctrine of Abraham Lincoln there would be no fear for the safety of our institutions at home or their rightful influence in any territory over which our flag floats."

Again, were immortal truths ever any more succinctly stated than in the following?

"Empire has been expelled from Porto Rico and the Philippines by American free men. The flag of the republic now floats over these islands as an emblem of rightful sovereignty. Will the republic stay and dispense to their inhabitants the blessings of liberty, education and free institutions, or steal away, leaving them to anarchy and imperialism?"

Finally:

"The American question is between duty and desertion—the American verdict will be for duty and against desertion, for the republic against both anarchy and imperialism."

We recommend a careful reading of the entire letter to every citizen. It is a classic in American political literature.

Our Interests and Duty in the Orient.

The apparent intention of the government is to remove our troops from Chinese soil as soon as it can be done with safety and prudence, and to locate them in winter quarters at different points along the Philippine coast. The most suitable places will be selected, with especial reference to healthfulness of immediate location, salubrity of climate and to means of transportation to any point among the islands or on the Chinese coast as events may require. Probably nowhere in the world could soldiers be more safely and comfortably quartered, with due regard for the well-being of the individual.

Next after the welfare of the men, the greater consideration must necessarily be given to the availability of our forces for use in any section of the world where their presence is needed to protect American interests. The plan contemplated fills the bill in every particular.

An argument of superlative and absolutely unanswerable potency in favor of the retention by us of the entire Philippine group is thus presented. What otherwise would be the condition? What would have been the condition during the past three months had not the United States had an available force in that part of the world to throw into China? Where would have been the Americans and the American interests in China today had we not been so situated as to take a hand with the other powers, and at the same time in the protection of our interests and the interests of civilization there? That we were so situated is one of the marvelous and miraculous incidental conditions of history.

Ask any "anti-expansionist" coward who is fearful that his country will grow to be too large and that the flag will carry its message too far; ask any "anti-imperialist" whose chronic nightmare fear is that 80,000 soldiers occupied in saving Christian men and women and in reclaiming the islands of the sea from barbarism, infidelity,

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wretchedness and decay, will surely override and suppress the liberties of 80,000,000 people at home; ask any enemy of human progress that is exemplified by the American nation as never before, what the consequences would be if an army had to be raised by proclamation, mustered in and shipped from San Francisco every time our interests in the Orient demanded protection?

Does he answer that we ought not to have any interests there? Ah, but we have and shall continue to have as long as the world moves forward instead of backward. Such an answer is the answer of a traitor to every duty, to all things which are right and good and true.

A Dust Heap in Eruption.

The plot of the commander-in-chief and field marshals who are conducting the Grout campaign to raise a dust for the purpose of befogging and obscuring the real merits of the case in the Senatorial contest, is apparently well under way. It was concocted some time ago after considerable consideration of ways and means and was first launched in the form of a letter, signed by one A. S. Kilburn of Hubbardston, to the St. Albans Messenger, date of August 29, bawling the location of the State asylum for the insane. This was authorized to be republished in the Burlington Daily News of last evening. Mr. Kilburn, who purports to be a taxpayer and a patriot with an abnormal human heart, professes to be scandalized at the location of the asylum. Its proximity to water and the proximity of water to it is bewailed. Then the farm belonging to the institution can only be reached by crossing the railroad track, "which is in itself a strain on the already overstrung inmates." Then, secondly, "think of the terrors of a flood!" Then, thirdly, "the asylum buildings are right in the heart of the village of Waterbury (!) with no open space for the exercise of the patients away from the whirl and excitement of the town!"

Finally, "there is not a thing about the whole location that is right. It may seem extravagant to advocate a re-location, but it is the only way out of it."

Ah! There is the aperture by which the milk enters the cocoon! The word has been given out, evidently, to raise all the dust possible about the location, with an adroit word here and there as to Gov. Dillingham's influence in locating it there, and by an attempt to force this man of straw to the front to raise an issue against him which will

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distract the attention of the legislators from the actual merits of the senatorial contest as between man and man. This bogie, however, is too characteristic, too boneless—though not nerveless—to stand in the way of the real issue. It won't do, gentlemen, and you may as well begin the consideration of some other scheme.

By the way, are not those "reasons" as given by the alleged Mr. Kilburn a beautiful study! They are rich in opportunities for health-giving and flesh promoting laughter, all so glaringly and deliciously apparent that they do not require pointing out. Read them carefully and catch the full sense of the ridiculous.

Expansion and Imperialism.

There are just as good American citizens outside the Republican party as in it. The great trouble is that there are not as many of them into many hundreds of thousands. A citizen will vote the Democratic ticket for some reason which never was and never can be satisfactorily and reasonably explained, and will profess to believe that an army of 80,000 soldiers to 80,000,000 people menaces individual freedom. He is intelligent, a man of affairs and well informed. At heart he knows better. Necessarily he is politically dishonest in his professions. On this point there can be no argument. He professes to believe, too, that the United States contained territory enough long ago, that it did business enough in years gone by and ought not to do any more; that some great harm will come from national growth and progress and trade and the extension of national influence.

By the same process of reasoning he believes that a farmer should not acquire more land when increasing prosperity and the necessities of his condition demand. He believes that a merchant should be content with the volume of business handled by his father, and that it would be "criminal aggression" and an outrage on the rights of competitors to attempt to increase it. He belongs to the class who never advertise for fear of an increase of labor and responsibility and mental worry. So, like Artemas Ward's hired man, he sits down in the meadow and waits for a cow to come along and be milked.

If he has a boy he makes a desperate effort to keep him at ten years of age for fear of his larger requirements when older. He is afraid the boy will increase in strength and stature and whip some bully or strike a blow for the right in some matter in which he has "no interest."

The question arises and can properly and seriously be asked: Can any intelligent American citizen really believe in this sort of thing? The assumption as an insult to the intelligence with which he must be credited. Therefore, to conclude, such professions must be attributed to political dishonesty and untruth. For what purpose, is beyond human comprehension.

Democracy Will Out.

The tincture of Democracy, bred in the bone and nourished as a proud inheritance during a long life, will crop out at intervals, inopportune and other, wise, subordinating the better and nobler nature and overriding a yearning for higher and cleaner political life. This taint of heredity appears in the case of Richard Olney, the man who tried, and in some measure succeeded in rescuing Cleveland's second administration from oblivion by a good deed done here and there.

For four long years and over, a fight has been raging in Olney's breast be-

tween the Jekyll of McKinley—or even Cleveland, if you will—and the Hyde of Bryanism, and the country regrets to see that the Hyde element has the advantage. Mr. Olney knows better; he knows that the Hydelams of Bryan are adverse to the best interests of the country and the people, but the old Satan of Democracy forces his way to the top and strangles his better judgment. Mr. Olney is too large a man to be jealous of the magnificent success of the McKinley administration, it would seem, but something of the kind, possibly, has given impetus to the malignant Hyde. Of course Mr. Olney is really sorry at heart that he has given any encouragement to the public enemy, but, like the victim of hydrophobia, he is powerless to counteract the Hyde virus working within him. The people will regard Mr. Olney with sorrow and pity, nothing worse. He is deserving of a better fate.

It is said that Cleveland is ready to fall into the Bryan pit, and it seems quite likely. He has not the breadth, depth or circumference of mind of Mr. Olney. He can neither surprise, astonish nor dismay anyone. What he may or may not do is of very little consequence. Of Mr. Olney, however, the country had hoped, and still hopes, for better things.

The JOURNAL is informed, with a degree of credibility that admits of no question, that the State committee did not invite Senator Ross to speak or take any part in the recent campaign in Vermont, beyond asking him to contribute liberally to pay campaign expenses, which he did. This information comes out by reason of remark and criticism on the circumstance that Senator Ross was not heard on the stump during the canvass, but in its last days sent to the papers for publication an article on imperialism. This was not done till it was too late to get his views on national issues before the people in any other way, and it was then too late, also, to be of use or weight. This statement seems to relieve the Senator from any reasonable criticism in the matter in question, but it adds to the evidence already cumulative of the general inefficiency or incompetency of the managing or executive branch of the State committee. Senator Ross, it appears, was ready and willing to do his duty on the stump—as ready to speak, if he had been asked and assigned to duty, as to pay his share of campaign expenses, which he was asked to do. It seems to be Chairman Allen's turn.

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A Notable Occasion.

We reprint the following from yesterday's edition:

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Read the above again and consider it carefully. William J. Bryan speaks at a Union Veteran League convention, the occasion being the presentation to the city of a Filipino cannon, captured by Gen. Lawton! Here we have the originator and field marshal of anti-imperialism and anti-expansion, the arch enemy of the extension of territory and the fruits of the cannon's victory, delivering an address on the occasion of the glorification of the very seeds of that territorial expansion which he condemns! And the cannon were captured from his friend Aguinaldo, who is even now waiting expectantly for the success of the anti-progressives! What could Bryan have said on such an occasion?

A Hopeful Case.

The Springfield Republican has given the Maine election returns profound scrutiny, and concludes as follows:

Such Republican losses and Democratic gains as are shown by the Maine election if extended over the country, or to the Mississippi river, would result in Bryan's success. But this is projecting matters into

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unknown space. The fact remains that the Republican lead in Maine is still, after a heavy loss, far above the 12,503 plurality of the September election in 1892, the 18,093 plurality in that of 1888, and the 19,815 plurality in 1884. There has been a great recession in the tidal movement of 1896, but the waters have not got back to that level which has made Democratic victories in the nation possible. This consideration is to be placed against that of relative gains and losses, and weighed.

It will be noted that *Republican's* reasoning contains an "if," as usual, but its conclusions are amazingly fair and just, coming from such a source. As soon as the *Republican* leaves off "projecting matters into unknown space," as it usually does project them, and gets down to results and their inevitable effects, it is compelled to conclude that "the waters have not got back to that level which has made Democratic victories in the nation possible." Exactly so.

The Democrats are making many ridiculous claims, but none more so than their alleged expectation of carrying Minnesota. According to the most trustworthy information Minnesota is as likely to go for Bryan this year as Vermont was, and not a particle more so. It would be just as reasonable for the Republicans to claim Texas as for the Democrats to claim Minnesota. There is not the slightest indication of any landslide or political upheaval this year in Minnesota. The Republicans have a thorough precinct organization, and are advised every day at the central headquarters of all local movements. The seven Republican Representatives from Minnesota have all been renominated, and each will be elected without any question. There can be no trouble about the State ticket or the Legislature, which will re-elect Senator Knute Nelson, next winter. Minnesota has had but one Democratic governor in forty years, and that is sufficient. It has never cast a single Democratic electoral vote since the State was admitted to the Union, and it is not likely to commence that career of folly now.

The latest proclamation from the Philippine insurgents is to the effect that they have learned that "Cleveland has already carried several States" and that the prospects of Democratic success are therefore exceedingly bright. In the event of the election of Bryan they will hold out until he is inaugurated, when the flag will be hauled down and the troops will be called home and punished for their outrages on these magnificent patriots. On the contrary, the proclamation states, if McKinley is re-elected the islanders will submit quietly to the sovereignty of the United States and go to work. With this statement of the case, the voters of the country can contribute by their ballots in November to whichever result they desire. On the one hand is Bryan and the holomen, on the other is McKinley and the flag.

"Look at Washington county," exclaims the *News* of Burlington, the Grout organ of that city. "Grout has ten votes and is reasonably certain to have a majority," continues this magazine. Well, we are looking at Washington county, and we suggest that the contemporary keep its eye on this county, and particularly on the day when its Representatives will be called to announce their preference for United States Senator in answer to the roll call of the clerk of the House. If the *News'* claims respecting the vote of

Chittenden and Franklin counties are no more trustworthy than those for Washington county it is utterly discredited as a political prophet. Debaunched by its oleomargarine tactics or other influences the Grout press is carrying its campaign of falsehood and misrepresentation to the bitter end.

The Burlington Daily *News* of last evening contained an inspired editorial on the senatorial situation. "Inspired" is a very proper and complimentary word to use and can give no offence unless there are facts connected with the editorial which do not appear in print. The gist of the editorial is in its claim as to Gen. Grout's strength among the Representatives-elect in Chittenden and Franklin counties. We believe the claims as published to be radically and ridiculously incorrect. "Claims" of this character are no argument at all, and if they are weapons they must belong to the boomerang family. Meanwhile the JOURNAL contents itself with the assurance, based on as good evidence and accurate knowledge as the Daily *News* can command, that this and all other claims of like character are the veriest humbug, calculated solely to deceive.

Hon. G. E. Roberts, director of the mint, who has just returned from a trip to the Middle West said: "West of the Mississippi river, the drift is decidedly to the Republicans. Democratic talk of carrying Minnesota is entitled to no weight. They will not come within fifty thousand votes of it. The Dakotas are both Republican and Kansas is considered safe. I have confidence that this drift our way, which is so apparent in all the West, will be found to be prevalent in Nebraska also, although that is a State in which populism is well seated. It is hardly to be expected that Illinois will give as large a Republican majority as it did four years ago. There is a likelihood that it will settle back toward the ordinary Republican majority, but there is no reason to doubt that it will be ample for practical purposes."

In his recent charge to the Franklin county grand jury Judge Stafford gave the people of Vermont in general and the violators of the liquor laws in particular to understand very distinctly that he could be depended upon to enforce the prohibitory law to its fullest extent whenever a case involving it came within his jurisdiction. The death of Judge Thompson was particularly mourned because of the fact that he had upheld the letter of the law so strenuously, but in Judge Stafford law abiding people evidently have fully as determined and effectual a supporter in this regard. Hereafter the presence of Judge Stafford in any county court will cause a cold shiver to traverse the spinal cords of dilatory State's Attorneys and evasive violators of the prohibitory statutes.

In the celebration of the semi-centennial of California, the Democratic residents of that State are proudly and enthusiastically assisting in the observance of one of the most glorious triumphs of expansion and so-called imperialism that the world ever saw. The history of the Golden State is just this, and one of the grandest and most forceful object lessons in existence. Argument, in the face of such magnificent results—results which cause thrills of patriotism and pride to sway every true American—is worse than

perile. Read the history of the acquisition of California.

The result of the Democratic State convention at Saratoga is as was expected. Hill forced the candidacy of Coler to a vote from sheer desperation and despair, well knowing that the Croker juggernaut was in motion to crush him, and the inevitable crushing ensued. Coler was too bright and able a young man to be thus forever blighted, a Democrat of intelligence and independence of character, but there can be but one man in the New York Democracy. All others must be automatons. The epitaph on the political tombstone of David B. Hill and Bird S. Coler is—like that over the editor—"We are here to stay."

In view of the very apparent discord between England and the United States in China, the yelpers in this country of a "secret understanding" between the two powers have had their fangs drawn. Of course the yelpers never had the least basis for such a charge, but a negative is difficult of proof and although of course these burcoers did not believe their own story they may have influenced some weak minds. In view, however, of recent events and present conditions in China they will be compelled to key their yelp to another tune.

From this distance, which we admit is considerable, it would really seem as if the Woodstock Standard is badly rattled. Hear it:

"The Standard will confess to considerable surprise that several Windsor county Representatives elected last week were reported as Dillingham men, when it had previously understood them to be Grout men. Private information since received from several sources indicate that the Grout contingent from this county will be about double the number reported last week."

It will be "about double," notwithstanding that Dillingham men were elected when Grout men were expected? Is that it?

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